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## SITUATION INFORMATION REPORT

The Coalition of Black Trade Unionists (CBTU), formed in September 1972 by five militant black labor union officials, could be one of the comers within the black power movement.

Bill Lucy, Secretary-Treasurer of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Charles Hayes of the Amalgamated Meatcutters Union; and Nelson Jack Edwards of the United Auto Workers are spearheading CBTU's five-man organizing committee.

On 24 February 1973 at Chicago, Illinois, CBTU's five-man Steering Committee met with some one hundred black labor leaders from western Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. This meeting constituted the initial step toward formally organizing a national intrastructured black unionized workers' organization. In addition, regional organizing conferences were scheduled for Cleveland, (March 10), Detroit (March 31), and New York (April 14). The purpose of these regional conferences -- to hammer out a provisional constitution which would be presented at CBTU's national convention scheduled for May 25-27 in Washington, D. C. It should be noted that only 2 million out of approximately 9.8 million blacks in the nation's work force are members of trade unions.

CBTU's ultimate stated aim is militant black representation on the AFL-CIO Executive Council and on the executive boards of its affiliated unions. They are demanding that the black quota system of hiring by those who do business with the Government be reinstated; they are swinging into the fight to keep the Office of Economic Opportunity going; and they plan to sponsor street rallies in the nation's



major industrial cities with heavy black populations -- Detroit, Philadelphia, New York, Washington and Atlanta to conduct membership drives and to publicize their organization and its viewpoints.

This movement within a movement will bear watching -- it could be the newest black power threat on the national scene.

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**CALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES**

**31 March, 1-2 April, Los Angeles and San Clemente, California**

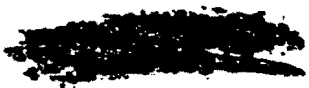
A coalition of antiwar organizations calling themselves the "San Clemente Coalition" will sponsor demonstrations protesting the visit of South Vietnam President Nguyen van Thieu. Groups participating in the Coalition include the Peace Action Council, Vietnam Veterans Against the War, National Peace Action Coalition and the Indochina Peace Campaign.

Recently, the VVAW announced a demonstration will be held at the Beverly Hills Hotel at 6 p. m. on 31 March at which time President Thieu is tentatively scheduled to address the Los Angeles Businessmen. Antiwar activist Jane Fonda has announced that demonstrators will assemble in San Clemente State Park on 1 April and hold an all-night vigil.

The organizations' officials have stated the demonstrations are being held to demand the following: President Nixon and President Thieu abide by the Peace Agreement; the U. S. stop all aid to President Thieu; release all political prisoners held by Saigon; recognize the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam; and for the U. S. Government to rebuild South Vietnam.

The "San Clemente Coalition" will sponsor a demonstration on 2 April beginning at noon at the San Clemente State Park followed by a march to the western White House where they will picket.

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31 March, Washington, D. C.

Reportedly, the Young Americans for Freedom, a conservative political youth organization, has scheduled a demonstration to be held in front of the White House at 4:30 p. m. in support of President Nixon's containment of Cuba. Law enforcement agencies are expecting 75 persons to participate.

2 April, San Clemente, California

Fundamentalist preacher Carl McIntire of New Jersey has announced he will travel to California to direct the welcome rally for President Thieu when he arrives in San Clemente. *with fall 11 7 1968 73*

4 April, Nationwide

The main thrust of the civil rights movement in recent years has increasingly turned from civil rights issues to such economic matters as poverty, welfare, jobs, and minority capitalism. The new civil rights movement plans to utilize the tactics of old in a "National Spring Offensive" against President Nixon's domestic policies. The offensive will consist of a series of marches, lobbying activities, demonstrations and civil disobedience.

Demonstrations will start 4 April in Atlanta, Washington, D. C. and other major cities across the country. These demonstrations are being sponsored by the following organizations: People United to Save Humanity, SCLC, and the National Welfare Rights Organization. Also, 4 April marks the fifth anniversary of the assassination of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Reportedly, demonstrators in Chicago will assemble at Buckingham Fountain in Grant Park at 10:30 a. m. and march to the Federal Building where a mass rally will be held at noon.

In the Washington, D. C. area, there has not been any information reported on where demonstrations will be held on 4 April. *with fall 11 7 1968 73*

4 April, New York City

The Vietnam Peace Parade Committee (antiwar organization)

is planning to sponsor a demonstration at Times Square, New York City from 5 to 7 p.m. The demonstration will be held to protest President Thieu's visit to the U.S. *FBI 467199 #22 MAR 73*

4 April, Washington, D. C.

Recently, the Coalition for Survival (a group of 76 D. C. social service and community action-oriented organizations) has announced they will hold demonstrations to protest against work stoppage. Demonstrations will be held at Mayor Washington's office and D. C. Councilmen's offices on the above date.

5 April, Washington, D. C.

The Washington Area Peace Action Coalition (an affiliate of the National Peace Action Coalition) and the Student Mobilization Committee have announced they are jointly sponsoring a demonstration on 5 April to protest the visit of President Thieu.

Officials of the organization are expecting 150 demonstrators in front of the White House at 4:30 p.m. Following the demonstration, a rally will be held in Lafayette Park from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Other demonstrations protesting President Thieu's visit to the United States are being planned in the following cities: Atlanta, Boston, Houston, Minneapolis, New York City, and Philadelphia.

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5 April, Washington, D. C.

Rev. Carl McIntire has announced a welcome rally will be held in Lafayette Park from 7 to 9 p.m. for President Thieu.

7 April, Washington, D. C.

The Coalition for Survival has announced plans to assemble at the U.S. Capitol Building at 9 a.m. and march to Lafayette Park where they will hold a rally to protest OEO's cutbacks.

Officials of the Coalition are expecting 5,000 to participate at



the rally. As yet, the permit has not been granted because the U. S. Park Service will not allow over 500 to demonstrate in the park. In all probability, the rally will be held on the Ellipse

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14 April, Washington, D. C.

The Rev. Carl McIntire will lead a March for Victory at the Washington Monument from 11:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. on the above date.

28 April, Washington, D. C.

Recently, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference has announced they will hold a rally in Washington on the above date. Officials of SCLC are expecting 500,000 to participate. Detailed information will be reported when it becomes available.

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RELIABILITY: Probably True

